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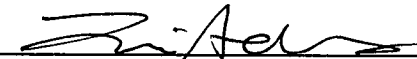
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits this paper in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 15, 2007.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.